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SPRING PROMENADE: STEPPING BACK IN TIME

HONOLULU – The Spring season in Hawai'i will be ushered in with style as Lt. Governor James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr. and Mrs. Vivian Aiona host "Spring Promenade: Stepping Back in Time" on March 26, Prince Kuhio Day. This event involves some historic sites of the newly formed Hawai'i Capital Cultural District. The community is invited to participate in the "promenade" from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., which joins activities at 'Iolani Palace, the Hawai'i State Art Museum, Washington Place, and Mission Houses Museum.

The beginning of Spring as a rite of renewal has been celebrated throughout the ages. During the late Victorian era, promenades became popular at Easter, which was celebrated the Sunday following the first full moon after the Spring equinox. People dressed in Spring finery and hats and leisurely strolled the streets in "promenade". The public is encouraged to wear their "Sunday's Best" and to join in the celebration that begins with a concert by the Royal Hawaiian Band at 11:00 a.m. at 'Iolani Palace, followed by children's hat making at the Hawai'i State Art Museum, and a stroll to historic Washington Place and Mission Houses Museum for tours, music, and children's games.

'IOLANI PALACE (open 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Admission)

- 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Royal Hawaiian Band Concert Palace Grounds, **Free**
- The Palace and its Galleries will be open for regular tours
Admission for adults on the Grand Tour - \$20.
- Kama'āina rates available and spaces are limited.
For more information or to make a reservation, call 522-0832.
- Lauhala Plaiting (weaving)...a demonstration of this craft by the artisans of Ulana Me Ka Lokomaika'i in the courtyard of 'Iolani Barracks, **Free**

HAWAII STATE ART MUSEUM (Free)

- Girls' spring bonnet and boys' hat making, Second Floor Courtyard
- Spring animals "petting zoo" on the Front Lawn
- Exhibits: "Reflecting Hawai'i", "Inner Scapes", and "Enriched by Diversity"
- For more information, please call 586-0305

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WASHINGTON PLACE (Free)

- Guided stroll through historic Washington Place
- Music, children's games, and fun
- 12:30 p.m., a reading for children with Lt. Governor James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr. and Mrs. Aiona
- "Dress up" Victorian style: photo opportunity with costume boards & face cutouts
- 1:00 p.m., Hat contest for hats made at Hawai'i State Art Museum
- Special floral arrangements by the Garden Club of Honolulu
- For more information, please call 586-0240

MISSION HOUSES MUSEUM (open 10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Admission)

- Guided historic house tour through the Frame House and Printing Office
- Tour times: 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 2:45 p.m.
- General Admission- \$10.00, Kama`āina rates available.
- For tour information and reservations, please call 531-0481
- Enjoy 19th century wash, period games, and period wardrobe

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